

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Munekazu Date, et al.  
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For: OPTICAL DEVICE AND  
DISPLAY APPARATUS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**  
**37 CFR § 1.115**

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In The Specification:

Please rewrite the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 1, as follows:

**CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION(S)**

This application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/361,856 filed July 27, 1999 which, in turn, is based on Patent Application Nos. 212,780/1998 filed July 28, 1998 in Japan and 247,871/1998 filed on September 2, 1998 in Japan, the content of all of which is incorporated hereinto by reference.

In The Claims:

Please cancel Claims 1-12, 14-27, 30-43, 45-50, 52-57, 61-68, 72-77, 80, 81, 83, 84, 89-94, 97-100, 103-106, 109-112, 115-120, 123, 124, 126, 127, 132-137, 140-143, 146-149, 152-155, 158-161, 164 and 165 without prejudice to presentation in divisional applications. Please amend Claims 44, 51, 58, 69, 78, 82, 85, 86, 88, 95, 96, 101, 102, 107, 108, 113, 114, 121, 125, 128, 129, 131, 138, 139, 144, 145, 150, 151, 156, 157, 162 and 163 as follows: